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<p>© Can Stock Photo - csp23476938</p>	<p>Witch and Wizard Walk</p> <p>Our annual Witch and Wizard Walk will take place on Friday, October 25th. The children are invited to dress up as a witch or wizard (or any other Halloween character you deem suitable). We ask the children not to wear masks or carry 'weapons', as these can frighten the younger children. But general creativity is very welcome.</p> <p>This sponsored walk is a fundraiser for Sports and PE Resources in the school. We hope to add 'lower' baskets for the junior classes on the outdoor basketball posts – and more besides.</p> <p><i>Thanks to Dave Tobin and King's Gala for their support for the walk.</i></p>
	<p>Lost Property</p> <p>May I ask you to write your children's names on their clothing, particularly their jackets and jumpers.</p> <p>The lost property box in the foyer is very full, so please come and check if your children own anything there.</p> <p><i>All unclaimed garments will be donated to the PTA Clothing collection in November.</i></p>
	<p>Contributions</p> <p>Thank you to all those who have contributed financially to class activities. About 65% of families have paid towards such resources as Arts materials, photocopying, book rental and site licences. Every contribution, no matter how small, is greatly appreciated. We hope to have epayments available shortly.</p> <p><i>In the meantime Edel would be happy to receive any contribution in the Admin office.</i></p>
	<p>Parent Teacher Meetings</p> <p>Parent Teacher Meetings for First Class to Sixth Class will take place on Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st of November. This is an extremely important point of contact between home and school. It is an opportunity for you to let us know how you feel things are going and in turn we can share from our experiences so far this year. We will begin arranging appointments shortly. We hope we can find a mutually acceptable time to meet.</p> <p><i>Please note that the children will go home 10 minutes early (at 2.50pm) on the above dates to allow staff a short personal prep time.</i></p>
	<p>Christmas Quiz</p> <p>Our annual Christmas Quiz in aid of St Vincent de Paul will take place on Wednesday December 4th at 7pm. Children from 3rd to 6th class will form teams and fly the flag for Prosperous, competing with 30 teams from the neighbouring schools.</p>
	<p>Christmas Concert</p> <p>Junior Infants, First Class, Third Class and Fifth Class will be inviting you to see them perform in their Christmas Concert on Thursday December 12th at 7pm to 9pm.</p> <p>A date for your diary.</p>
	<p>The PTA</p> <p>The PTA held their Halloween Cake Sale on Friday October 18th – always a much anticipated event in the school. €1,300 was raised. Thank you for your generous support.</p> <p>The PTA do great work for the school and are always happy to welcome new faces, on the first Wednesday of every month at 8pm in the staff room. Please come along.</p> <p>The PTA are delighted to announce that Catherine Kennedy and David Gorry have been selected as the Parent nominees on the Board of Management, which begins its term on December 1st. The BOM looks forward to working with both Catherine and David. A sincere thanks to Marc Hand for his work on the Board of Management over the last</p>

	few years. Go raibh maith agat Marc.
	<p align="center">PTA Clothes Collection</p> <p>The PTA will organise a clothes collection later in November. So you might think of them and bag a few items for the PTA if you happen to do a little 'Autumn Cleaning' over Halloween. Further details to follow nearer the time.</p>
	<p align="center">Science Week</p> <p>We would like to thank St Farnan's for inviting Sixth Class to a STEM session to mark Science Week. Ms Lowe's class were also lucky enough to work on Bee Aware, with an environmentalist from the Heritage Council last week. And we have lots of projects going forward for Mini Scientist this year. Great to see so much scientific activity in the school.</p>
	<p align="center">Creative Schools</p> <p>We are delighted to be listed among 150 Creative Schools in the country for a second year. We look forward to continuing to work with our Creative Associate, funded by the Arts Council, this year.</p>
	<p align="center">Savings</p> <p>The PTA operate a Savings Club on the first Friday of every month, at 9am. The Credit Union receive lodgements from children in 3rd to 6th on Tuesday mornings before class starts.</p>
	<p align="center">Sacramental Dates</p> <p>Friday March 13th Confirmation in the church (2 services) Dates to be confirmed First Confession in the church on Saturdays Saturday May 16th First Holy Communion in the church 2 services – 10am and 12 noon</p>
	<p align="center">Running for our Garden</p> <p>Mr O'Sullivan has very kindly offered to run the Dublin City Marathon in aid of our school garden. Please support him – no matter how small the donation – every little helps. The garden will become a beautiful addition to our school – offering a therapeutic, recreational and educational space for all the children in our school, but especially for our children with Autism. Mr O'Sullivan has put months of training into the preparation for the marathon. Please show your support for him, while also contributing greatly to the development of our school. All donations can be dropped into the box in the foyer and will be gratefully received. Go raibh maith agat.</p>

FUND RAISING

As you are aware the financial supports granted to the school by the Department of Education do not cover the running costs of a school our size, and certainly do not fund those initiatives which we want to offer the children, to bring their school experience to another level.

If you have any fundraising ideas, be it for a small event or a larger scale proposal,
please share your thoughts with us.

If you are willing to join our Fundraising Team drop us a line
or call in to talk to Edel or Ms Hetherton.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Go raibh maith agaibh.

For more information on school activities please visit the website www.prosperousns.ie